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Arizona Cattle on Feed Inventory Up 20 Percent from Last Year

On September 1, 2011, Arizona had 288,000 head of cattle on feed for the slaughter market, 1,000 more than last month and up 48,000 head from a year ago. Placements totaled 25,000 head during August, an increase of 5,000 head from a year ago. During August, the number of head marketed was 23,000, a decrease of 4,000 head from last August.

On September 1, 2011, California had 475,000 head of cattle on feed for the slaughter market, up 40,000 head from last year but down 5,000 from last month. Placements totaled 56,000 head during August, a 1,000 head increase from last August. Marketings of fed cattle totaled 56,000 head, an increase of 4,000 head from a year ago.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.7 million

head on September 1, 2011. The inventory was 5 percent above September 1, 2010. This is the third highest September 1 inventory since the series began in 1996.

Placements in feedlots during August totaled 2.25 million, 1 percent below 2010. Net placements were 2.18 million head. During August, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 715,000, 600-699 pounds were 370,000, 700-799 pounds were 477,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 690,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 2.05 million, 7 percent above 2010.

Other disappearance totaled 72,000 during August, 53 percent above 2010.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Number Placed on Feed, Number Marketed, and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States, 2010-2011

State	Number on Feed 1/					Placements			Marketings			Other Disappearance		
	Sep 1, 2010	Aug 1, 2011	Sep 1, 2011			During August			During August			During August 2/		
			Number	as % of 2010	as % of Aug	2010	2011	2011 as % of 2010	2010	2011	2011 as % of 2010	2010	2011	2011 as % of 2010
	1,000 Head		Percent			1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent	1,000 Head		Percent
AZ	240	287	288	120	100	20	25	125	27	23	85	1	1	100
CA	435	480	475	109	99	55	56	102	52	56	108	3	5	167
CO	890	970	990	111	102	190	230	121	185	205	111	5	5	100
ID	190	195	195	103	100	46	43	93	45	42	93	1	1	100
IA	560	560	550	98	98	93	84	90	91	92	101	2	2	100
KS	2,200	2,180	2,210	100	101	610	520	85	440	475	108	10	15	150
NE	2,050	1,980	2,010	98	102	480	445	93	380	400	105	10	15	150
OK	355	360	365	103	101	81	75	93	60	67	112	1	3	300
SD	195	195	190	97	97	45	45	100	49	48	98	1	2	200
TX	2,550	2,840	2,900	114	102	540	620	115	500	540	108	10	20	200
WA	170	190	193	114	102	42	48	114	34	44	129	1	1	100
Other Sts	346	352	355	103	101	69	61	88	60	56	93	2	2	100
US	10,181	10,589	10,721	105	101	2,271	2,252	99	1,923	2,048	107	47	72	153

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

2/ Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

August Milk Production up 2.2 Percent

Milk production in the 23 major States during August totaled 15.3 billion pounds, up 2.2 percent from August 2010. July revised production at 15.4 billion pounds, was up 0.5 percent from July 2010. The July revision represented a decrease of 45 million pounds or 0.3 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.47 million head, 102,000 head more than August 2010, and 3,000 head more than July 2011.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,810 pounds for August, 18 pounds above August 2010.

Milk Cows and Production: by State, August 2010-2011

State	Milk Cows 1/		Milk Per Cow 2/		Milk Production 2/		Change From 2010
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
AZ	180	187	1,765	1,810	318	338	6.3
CA	1,753	1,777	1,940	1,970	3,401	3,501	2.9
CO	120	129	2,025	2,000	243	258	6.2
FL	114	119	1,335	1,400	152	167	9.9
ID	571	582	2,000	2,040	1,142	1,187	3.9
IL	99	98	1,495	1,540	148	151	2.0
IN	169	171	1,645	1,680	278	287	3.2
IA	207	199	1,700	1,760	352	350	-0.6
KS	120	124	1,725	1,750	207	217	4.8
MI	359	368	1,955	1,955	702	719	2.4
MN	470	471	1,595	1,520	750	716	-4.5
MO	99	96	1,150	1,090	114	105	-7.9
NM	318	330	2,040	2,065	649	681	4.9
NY	611	610	1,790	1,785	1,094	1,089	-0.5
OH	270	266	1,610	1,590	435	423	-2.8
OR	121	123	1,730	1,765	209	217	3.8
PA	541	539	1,670	1,640	903	884	-2.1
TX	415	435	1,695	1,795	703	781	11.1
UT	85	88	1,830	1,820	156	160	2.6
VT	137	134	1,570	1,580	215	212	-1.4
VA	95	96	1,475	1,450	140	139	-0.7
WA	252	265	2,015	2,045	508	542	6.7
WI	1,263	1,264	1,725	1,745	2,179	2,206	1.2
23-State Total	8,369	8,471	1,792	1,810	14,998	15,330	2.2

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

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October 3.....Dairy Products
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U.S. Hog Inventory Up 1 Percent

United States inventory of all hogs and pigs on September 1, 2011 was 66.6 million head. This was up 1 percent from September 1, 2010, and up 3 percent from June 1, 2011.

Breeding inventory, at 5.81 million head, was up 1 percent from last year, and up slightly from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 60.8 million head, was up 1 percent from last year, and up 3 percent from last quarter.

The June-August 2011 pig crop, at 29.1 million head, was up 1 percent from 2010 and up 1 percent from 2009. Sows farrowing

during this period totaled 2.90 million head, down 1 percent from 2010 and down 2 percent from 2009. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 50 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was a record high 10.03 for the June-August 2011 period, compared to 9.81 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.50 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 10.10 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

Record High Pork Production in August

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 4.30 billion pounds in August, up 4 percent from the 4.13 billion pounds produced in August 2010.

Beef production, at 2.39 billion pounds, was 4 percent above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 3.10 million head, up 5 percent from August 2010. The average live weight was down 7 pounds from the previous year, at 1,270 pounds.

Veal production totaled 11.3 million pounds, 1 percent above August a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 79,900 head, up 5 percent from August 2010. The average live weight was down 7 pounds from last year, at 247 pounds.

Pork production totaled 1.89 billion pounds, up 4 percent from the previous year. Hog slaughter totaled 9.53 million head, up 5 percent from August 2010. The average live weight was down 1 pound from the previous year, at 266 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 13.1 million pounds, was up 2 percent from August 2010. Sheep slaughter totaled 198,200 head, 3 percent below last year. The average live weight was 132 pounds, up 6 pounds from August a year ago.

January to August 2011 commercial red meat production was 32.3 billion pounds, up 1 percent from 2010. Accumulated beef production was up 1 percent from last year, veal was down 2 percent, pork was up 1 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 8 percent.

Commercial Red Meat Production: Arizona and U.S., August 2010 and 2011 and July 2011 1/

Class	August 2010	July 2011	August 2011	August 2011 as % of 2/	
				August 2010	July 2011
<u>ARIZONA</u> 2/	Million Pounds			Percent	
Total Red Meat	32.8	36.2	37.6	115	104
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Beef	2,286.6	2,135.2	2,386.7	104	112
Veal	11.2	10.1	11.3	101	112
Pork	1,815.3	1,637.2	1,891.5	104	116
Lamb & Mutton	12.8	10.9	13.1	102	120
Total Red Meat 3/	4,126.0	3,793.4	4,302.6	104	113

1/ Based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter.

2/ Breakdown by class not available; includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton.

3/ Accumulated totals and percentages based on unrounded data.

Commercial Livestock Slaughter: Arizona and U.S., January - August 2011 1/

Species	Arizona			United States		
	January - August			January - August		
	Number Slaughtered	Total Live Weight	Average Live Weight	Number Slaughtered	Total Live Weight	Average Live Weight
	1,000 Head	1,000 Pounds	Pounds	1,000 Head	1,000 Pounds	Pounds
Cattle	371.8	474,579	1,281	22,818.5	28,922,931	1,272
Hogs	1.0	219,000	254	71,284.1	19,520,463	274

1/ Includes slaughter under Federal inspection and other Commercial slaughter, excludes farm slaughter.

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September Farm Prices Received Index Declines 1 Point

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in September, at 183 percent, based on 1990-1992=100, decreased 1 point (0.5 percent) from August. The Crop Index is unchanged but the Livestock Index decreased 7 points (4.4 percent). Producers received higher prices for cattle, strawberries, hay, and grain sorghum and lower prices for broilers, hogs, milk, and corn. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell.

Increased monthly marketings of corn, soybeans, apples, and potatoes offset decreased marketings of cattle, wheat, broilers, and grapes.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 40 points (28 percent) from September 2010. The Food Commodities Index, at 169, decreased 4 points (2.3 percent) from last month but increased 28 points (20 percent) from September 2010.

Prices Paid Index Unchanged

The September Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) is 205 percent of the 1990-1992 average. The index is unchanged from August but 22 points above (12 percent) September 2010. Higher prices in September for complete feeds, supplements, LP gas, and potash &

phosphate offset lower prices for concentrates, feeder cattle, feed grains, and feeder pigs.

Prices Received by Farmers: Arizona and United States, September 2010 and 2011 and August 2011

Commodity	Unit	Arizona			United States		
		September 2010 Entire Month	August 2011 Entire Month	September 2011 Mid-Month	September 2010 Entire Month	August 2011 Entire Month	September 2011 Mid-Month
Upland Cotton	\$ Lb	1/	1/	1/	0.747	0.940	0.954
Durum Wheat	\$ Bu	1/	1/	1/	4.89	10.20	10.60
Alfalfa Hay Baled 2/	\$ Ton	120.00	220.00	220.00	119.00	191.00	196.00
Cows	\$ Cwt	60.00	3/	3/	55.20	70.80	69.70
Steers and Heifers	\$ Cwt	98.00	3/	3/	99.50	114.00	116.00
Beef Cattle 4/	\$ Cwt	80.50	3/	3/	94.10	111.00	112.00
Calves	\$ Cwt	115.00	3/	3/	118.00	134.00	133.00
All Milk 5/	\$ Cwt	17.00	22.00	21.40	17.70	22.00	20.90

1/ Prices not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations or insufficient sales.

2/ Mid-month.

3/ Not available for Arizona.

4/ "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined.

5/ Preliminary; before for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

United States Price Index Summary Table

Index 1990-92 = 100	2010	2011	
	September	August	September
Prices Received	143	184	183
Prices Paid	183	205	205
Ratio 1/	78	90	89

1/ Ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid by farmers.
 paid by farmers.